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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner dated August 13, 2003 rejecting the following claims: 1, 3-12, 14-16 and 18-20.

Applicant is a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27. A statement of small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 has already been filed in this application.

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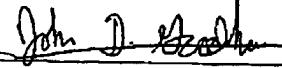
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Respectfully submitted,

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